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SUBJ: ROMANIAN TRADE PROMOTION EVENTS
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1. ROMANIANS HAVE INFORMED US THAT IN VIEW OF RECENT EARTHQUAKE THEY ARE REGRETFULLY FORCED TO CANCEL AUTOMATED BUILDING SYSTEMS TSS. THOSE WHO WOULD PARTICIPATE ON ROMANIAN SIDE WILL BE ENGAGED FULL TIME IN RECONSTRUCTION. FOR FUTURE, THEME OF EARTHQUAKE-RESISTANT CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES WILL, OF COURSE, HAVE SIGNIFICANT ATTRACTION.

2. WE ALSO INFOQPMED TODAY OF POSTPONEMENT BY ORGANIZERS OF PRIVATELY-ORGANIZED AMERO.

3. IN VIEW OF DAMAGE CAUSED BY RECENT QUAKE, ROMANIAN PREOCCUPATION WITH RECOVERY EFFORT, AND UNCLEAR PICTURE CONCERNING CHANCE OF SECOND MAJOR QUAKE IN COMING MONTHS (REFTTEL C), WE MUST GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION WHETHER TO PROCEED WITH OTHER TWO TRADE PROMOTION EVENTS SCHEDULED WITHIN THAT INTERVAL (CHEMICAL BDO, MAY 7-15; PLASTICS TSS MAY 15-19). IT
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SEEMS AXIOMATIC TO US THAT OUR ASSESSMENT MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT BOTH ROMANIAN PREPARADNESS TO SUPPORT EVENT AS WELL AS WILLINGNESS OF U.S. PARTICIPANTS TO ENDURE PERSONEL RISK--TO EXTENT THIS VALID CONSIDERATION AT TIME GO-NO GO DECISION MUST BE MADE. IN ABSENCE OF ON-SITE GEOLOGICAL EVALUATION WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE UNWISE AND PRECIPITOUS FOR

US TO REACH THAT DECISION NOW. WE WOULD THEREFORE
PROPOSE TO WAIT SEVERAL WEEKS UNTIL SITUATION IS CLEARER
AT WHICH TIME WE WILL APPROACH COOPERATING ROMANIAN
ORGANIZATION IN EVENT THEY HAVE NOT CONTACTED US.
CORRESPONDINGLY, WE WOULD ASK THAT USDOC DEFER TAKING
ACTION ON THESE TWO EVENTS WITHOUT FIRST CONSULTING
WITH EMBASSY AND, IN TURN, OUR DISCUSSING MATTER WITH
ROMANIANS.
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